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Declaration, Power Of Attorney and Petition

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WE (I) the undersigned inventor(s), hereby declare(s) that :

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

We (I) believe that we are (I am) the original, first, and joint (sole) inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

METHOD FOR MANIPULATION OF SEMICONDUCTING LAYERS FOR THINNING THESE LAYERS

the specification of which

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☐ was filed on
as Application Serial No.
and amended on
- ☒ was filed as PCT international application
Number PCT/FR03/00954
on March 26, 2003
and was amended under PCT Article 19
on

We (I) hereby state that we (I) have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We (I) acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Section 1.56 of Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations.

We (I) hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a)-(d) or § 365 (b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365 (a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application (s)

Application No.	Country	Day/month/Year	Priority Claimed	
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We (I) hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 (e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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We (I) hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

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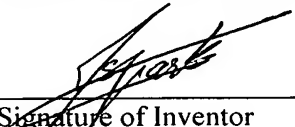
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9 And we (I) hereby appoint : Robert E. Krebs, Registration No. 25,885; David B. Ritchie, Registration No. 31,562; Marc S. Hanish, Registration No. 42,626; John P. Schaub, Registration No. 42,125; Gerhard W. Thielman, Registration No. 43,186; Adrienne Yeung, Registration No. 44,000; Steven J. Robbins, Registration No. 40,299; Thierry K. Lo, Registration No. 49,097; William Samuel Niece, Registration No.: P47,824; and John Klaas Uilkema, Registration No. 20,282 ; our (my) attorneys of record with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; and we (I) hereby request that all correspondence regarding this application be sent to the firm of THELEN REID & PRIEST LLP whose Post Office Address is : P.O. Box 640640, San Jose, CA 95164-0640.

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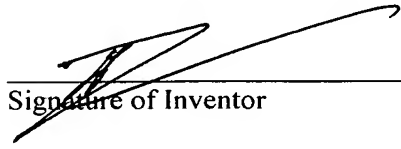
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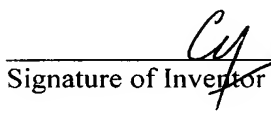

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